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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) PATENT
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Serial No.: 10/517,202) GROUP: 2615
Filed: Jan. 10, 2005) EXAMINER: SAUNDERS, Jr., J.
SUSPENSION MEANS FOR) CUSTOMER NO: 25269
TRANSDUCER) CONFIRMATION NO. 7598

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The inventor has received the final Office Action of April 11, 2007 wherein the examiner (1) rejected claims 1 and 4 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Gore et al. (newly relied upon) in view of Rabe (newly cited) and Lalikos et al. (newly cited), and (2) rejected claim 3 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Gore et al. in view of Rabe, Lalikos et al. and Hoefler et al. (newly cited). The inventor asserts that these rejections are without merit.

Gore et al. disclose a suspension for electro-acoustical transducers, such as rubber tubes 14 and 15. The tube 14 extends between a rigid tube 12 connected to inlet port 10 and a tubular projection 16A of microphone 16. Tube 15 extends between a rigid tube 13 connected to outlet port 11 and a projection 17A of receiver 17. Tubes 14 and 15